



Year 11 Next Steps Bulletin - POST 16 OPTIONS

Key In-School Events: 2025-2026

Careers Information, Advice & Guidance	<p>From September 2025, Miss Robinson can offer 1-2-1 advice as you plan your post-16 journey.</p> <p>Parents can also request support from Miss Robinson via n.robinson@pudseygrammar.co.uk</p>
Pudsey Grammar Sixth Form Open Evening	<p>On Wednesday 15th October, students, parents and carers are invited into school to meet the teachers and explore their options. Mr McKelvie and Mr Burkinshaw will be delivering talks at 5pm and 6pm.</p>
P16 Options & Next Steps Assembly	<p>Mr McKelvie and Miss Robinson will deliver an assembly during half term 2 sharing information about support on offer, Leeds Post-16 education and training providers and the Pudsey Grammar Sixth Form</p>
Post-16 Options Motivational Guest Speaker	<p>In collaboration with AHEAD Partnership, year 11 will listen to the GCSE and post-16 journey of a current Leeds professional, exploring their career pathway and how they navigated year 11 options.</p>
Learning Curve Group Hands-On Workshop (Inclusion)	<p>Specialist tutors from the Learning Curve Beauty Group will deliver a hands-on beauty workshop with KS4 students in inclusion. Students will learn about the post-16 courses on offer and how to apply</p>
Post-16 Aspirations Assembly	<p>Mr Burkinshaw and Mrs Smith will deliver an assembly in November highlighting the upcoming post-16 aspirations meeting with SLT where students will formally decide their first and second choice of post-16 education providers for after year 11.</p>

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Post-16 Aspirations Interviews	<p>All year 11 students will receive an interview with a member of SLT, the sixth form and careers team or the year 11 team to discuss their options for after year 11.</p> <p>There is no formal application to study at the pudsey grammar sixth form, this interview is where the student will notify the staff member if they would like to stay into year 12.</p>
Sixth Form Open Morning	<p>The Pudsey Grammar Sixth Form will hold an open morning in January for all internal and external students, parents and carers who were unable to attend the initial October Open Evening.</p>

In addition, the Pudsey Grammar Sixth Form will be offering students admission support throughout the academic year and on results day.

Open Days



PUDSEY GRAMMAR
SIXTH FORM

Pudsey Grammar Sixth Form Open Evening:



PUDSEY GRAMMAR
SIXTH FORM

Wed 15th October 5pm - 7:30pm [Book your ticket here](#)

Internal year 11 students can apply for study in December during their "Post-16 Aspirations Meetings". For students, parents and carers who are unable to attend this event, we will run a drop-in Open Morning January 2026



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The below events are organised by other post-16 providers across Leeds. Pudsey Grammar School staff will not be present. Parents/ Carers are therefore solely responsible for the involvement of their child(ren) on site.

Leeds City College

**Park Lane (LS3 1AA), Printworks (LS10 1JY), Quarry Hill (LS2 7BS)
Somerville (LS10 1BG)**

Wed 19th November 4:30pm - 7pm

Quieter Open Events 4th, 11th, 22nd November

Applications open Mon 29th September

Bradford College

Bradford College, Great Horton Road, Bradford, BD7 1AY

Saturday 18th October 10am - 1pm

Leeds College of Building

North Street Campus & South Bank Campus

Saturday 15th November

Leeds Art University

Vernon St, Leeds LS2 8PH

Leeds Arts University offers a foundation diploma course for 16-18 year olds in creative, art and design subjects.

Thursday 16th October 4:30pm - 7pm

Saturday 15th November 4:30pm - 7pm

Thursday 4th December 4:30pm - 7pm

Askham Bryan College

Askham Bryan, York YO23 3FR

Based in York and Saltaire, Askham Bryan College offers a range of agricultural and animal science courses

York Campus Saturday 18th October 9:30am-12:30am

Craven College

Craven College, Aireville Campus, Gargrave Road, Skipton

Skipton Open Evening Monday 6th October 5:30pm - 7:30pm

Aviation Academy, Hangar 1, Southside Aviation Centre, Leeds, United Kingdom

Aviation Academy Open Evening Wednesday 8th October 5:30pm - 7:30pm



Understanding Post-16 Education Options

Year 11 Parent Guide

NEXT STEPS AFTER GCSEs

**If your child has 5 or more GCSEs at
Grade 4–9 (including Maths & English):**

A-Levels

T-Levels

**Level 3 BTEC/
Diploma**

**Advanced
Apprenticeship
(Level 3)**

What's next?

- University
- Higher/Degree Apprenticeship
- School Leaver Programmes
- Employment
- Gap Year

For further information on University:

The main website with lots of information about university is www.ucas.com which has lots of information about what to study and applying to university.

- <http://www.theuniguide.co.uk/>
- www.prospects.ac.uk



- <https://www.ucas.com/applying/you-apply/what-and-where-study/entry-requirements/ucas-tariff-points#what-are-ucas-tariff-points>

If your child has fewer than 5 GCSEs at Grade 4–9:

Level 2 BTEC

Level 2 Apprenticeship

Level 1 courses

What's next?

Many students go on to a Level 3 course before employment or higher study, as employers often expect this.

Where to find apprenticeships:

Apprenticeship/ Vocational:

- <https://www.leeds.gov.uk/jobs-skills-and-training/apprenticeships>
- <https://jobs.army.mod.uk/regular-army/what-you-get/apprenticeships-skills/>
- <https://recruitment.raf.mod.uk/apprenticeships>
- <https://www.royalnavy.mod.uk/careers/joining-options/school-leavers>
- <https://leedscitycollege.ac.uk/apprenticeships/>

These websites are useful for providing general information on careers:

- <https://www.leedsforlearning.co.uk>
- www.nationalcareersservice.direct.gov.uk
- <https://icould.com/>